GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RAISING OF HEIGHT OF PLATFORM
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the height of the railway platforms in Group `C` stations in rural areas is very low resulting a lot of inconvenience to the passengers particularly to ladies, children and senior citizens;

(b) if so, whether any measures are being taken by the Government to raise their heights at par with those of Groups A&B stations to give relief to the passengers;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (d) : Railway stations are classified in to `A`, `B`, `C`, `D`, `E` & `F` categories based on earnings from Passenger traffic at a station. Differential scale of amenities is provided based on category of station. As per norms Minimum Essential Amenities the height of platform is High level at `A` & `C` category, Medium level at `B` & `D` category and Rail level at `E` & `F` category irrespective of rural or urban areas. The required level of platform as per category of station has been provided at all stations.